

By: Representative Brown

To: Education

HOUSE BILL NO. 1000

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO  
2 DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A TEACHER WAGE INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR  
3 TEACHERS IN EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS  
4 PARTICIPATING IN THE QUALITY RATING SYSTEM; AND FOR RELATED  
5 PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 **SECTION 1.** The State Department of Education shall develop  
8 and implement a teacher wage incentive program to allow  
9 participating early care and education and after school programs  
10 in the Quality Rating System (QRS) established under Section  
11 43-1-65 to access funds to provide wage incentives to teachers who  
12 make nationally recognized educational advancements in the field  
13 per an incremental formula and criteria developed by the  
14 department. This program shall begin October 1, 2007.

15 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
16 and after its passage.